

text, a more natural structure is a  $\lambda$ -clone with infinitary,  $(1+\bar{i})$ -ry, applications and infinitary,  $\bar{i}$ -ry,  $\lambda$ -quantifiers for all, finite and countable, sequences  $\bar{i} \in \omega^\infty$ . In this way we obtain an algebraic version of an infinitary  $\lambda$ -calculus but this is another story.

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#### ON CODING OF HEREDITARILY-FINITE SETS, POLYNOMIAL-TIME COMPUTABILITY AND $\Delta$ -EXPRESSIBILITY

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This paper is devoted to computability and definability in terms of bounded (i.e.,  $\Delta$ -) set theoretic language (cf. references below).

A coding (or numbering; cf. the general theory in [3]) of the universe of hereditarily-finite sets HF is any surjection  $\theta: A^* \rightarrow HF$  from the set of all finite strings over some finite alphabet A. Let  $P_\theta$  denote the class of operations  $F: HF \rightarrow HF$  such that  $F\theta = \theta f$  for some polynomial-time computable (or shortly, P-) function  $f: A^* \rightarrow A^*$ . For any two codings  $\theta: A^* \rightarrow HF$ ,  $\eta: B^* \rightarrow HF$  and P-function  $f: A^* \rightarrow B^*$  the P-reducibility  $\theta = \eta f$  is denoted also as  $\theta \leq_p^f \eta$  or  $\theta \leq_p \eta$ . P-equivalence  $\theta \equiv_p \eta$  means  $\theta \leq_p \eta$  &  $\eta \leq_p \theta$  and implies  $P_\theta = P_\eta$ . If cardinalities of A and B are  $\geq 2$  then any  $\theta: A^* \rightarrow HF$  is P-equivalent to some  $\theta: B^* \rightarrow HF$  (via arbitrary two-sided P-bijection  $f: A^* \rightarrow B^*$ ). Hence, we will usually consider codings over the same A. Any  $\theta$  is called P-coding if (1) the predicate " $HF \models \theta(a) \in \theta(b)$ " is P-decidable on any,  $a, b \in A^*$  and (2) two P-computable mappings  $a \mapsto a_1, \dots, a_k$  and  $a_1, \dots$

...,  $a_k \mapsto a$  from codes to lists of codes and conversely exist such that in both cases  $\{\theta(a_1), \dots, \theta(a_k)\} = \theta(a)$  in HF. Alternatively,  $P^*$ -coding is one satisfying (1), as above, and, in place of (2), the condition (2\*) on  $P$ -computability of a mapping  $a \mapsto a_1, \dots, a_k$  such that  $\{\theta(a_1), \dots, \theta(a_k)\} =$  the transitive closure of set  $\theta(a)$  in HF.

Examples of  $P$  &  $P^*$ -codings are 1) (correct) bracket expressions, like  $\{\}, \{\{\}\{\}\{\}\{\}\{\}\}$ , etc., which represent HF-sets in the evident way, this coding being denoted as  $\beta: \{\{"", ""\}\}^* \rightarrow HF$ , 2) finite trees which are graphs of the special kind and are given by 0-1-incidence matrices; the coding is denoted as  $\tau: \text{Trees} \rightarrow HF$  and is defined inductively by  $\tau(\text{tree}) = \{\tau(\text{subtree}_1), \dots, \tau(\text{subtree}_k)\}$  for all immediate subtrees of any given tree; 3) graph coding or collapsing  $\chi(g, v)$  which assigns to any finite acyclic directed graph  $g$  with the distinguished vertex  $v$ , a set  $\chi(g, v) \in HF$  by the same as  $\tau$  does.

Example of  $P^*$  &  $\mathcal{TP}$ -coding is arithmetical one  $e: \omega \rightarrow HF$  [1] where  $e(n) = \{e(n_1), \dots, e(n_k)\}$  for  $n = 2^{n_1} + \dots + 2^{n_k}$ ,  $n_1 > n_2 > \dots > n_k$ . More exactly, we should distinguish between unary, binary and in general  $m$ -ary arithmetical coding  $e_1$ ,  $e_2$ , and  $e_m$ ,  $m \geq 1$ , relative to chosen representation of natural numbers by a set of digits  $0, 1, \dots, m-1$ , i.e., by  $m$ -adic numeric system.

PROPOSITION 1. (1)  $\theta \leq_P \chi$  holds for any  $P^*$ -coding  $\theta$ . (2) The following not invertible  $P$ -reducibilities hold:  $e_1 \leq_P e_m \equiv_P e_n \leq_P \beta \equiv_P \tau \leq_P \chi$  for  $m, n \geq 2$ .

PROPOSITION 2.  $P_\chi \not\subseteq P_\beta$ ;  $P_\beta \not\subseteq P_\chi$ ;  $P_\chi \cap P_\beta \not\subseteq P_{e_m}$ ;  $P_{e_m} \not\subseteq P_\chi, P_\beta$ ;  $P_{e_2} \not\subseteq P_{e_1}$ ;  $P_{e_1} \not\subseteq P_{e_2}$ .

Define set-theoretic  $\Delta$ -language (cf. [6-8]) consisting of  $\Delta$ -terms  $a, b, \dots$  and  $\Delta$ -formulas  $\varphi, \psi, \dots$  by the clauses:

$\Delta$ -formulas::=  $a \in b \mid \neg \varphi \mid \varphi \ \& \ \psi \mid \varphi \vee \psi \mid \varphi \Rightarrow \psi \mid \forall x \in a \varphi \mid \exists x \in a \varphi$ ;  
 $\Delta$ -terms::=  $\langle \text{set-variables} \rangle \mid \{a, b\} \mid \cup \{b(x) : x \in a \ \& \ \varphi(x)\} \mid$   
 $[p = p \cup \{x \in a : \varphi(x, p)\}]$ .

Here (closed) variables  $x$  and  $p$  are different and not occurring in  $a$ . These self-explanatory constructs have the evident semantics in HF (and even in any universe  $V$  for ZF) and are everyday used tools of the "working mathematician". The only construct which deserves special definition is inductive  $\Delta$ -separation  $[p = p \cup \{x \in a : \varphi(x, p)\}]$  (its omission essentially gives rise to Kripke-Platek theory without foundation axiom; cf. [1, 6, 7]). It is considered as the term (not formula!) and denotes the distinguished solution  $p$  of the equation in square brackets obtained as the result of stabilization (in  $\leq \text{card}(a)$  steps) of monotone sequence  $\emptyset = p_0 \subseteq p_1 \subseteq \dots \subseteq a$ , where  $p_{n+1} := p_n \cup \{x \in a : \varphi(x, p_n)\}$ . Let us call  $\Delta$ -operations those definable by  $\Delta$ -terms.

**THEOREM 1** (V.Yu.Sazonov). Given any finite alphabet  $A$ , there exists the retraction pair  $i: HF \rightarrow A^*$  and  $i^R: A^* \rightarrow HF$  ( $i i^R = \text{identity}: A^* \rightarrow A^*$ ) such that arbitrary  $P$ -function  $f: A^* \rightarrow A^*$  satisfy  $f i = i \tilde{f}$  for some  $\Delta$ -operation  $\tilde{f}: HF \rightarrow HF$ .

Let  $\theta^R: HF \rightarrow A^*$  be a retraction of any coding  $\theta$ . Denote  $\Delta_\theta := \Delta$ -language extended by the corresponding retraction pair  $\tilde{\theta} := \theta i$  and  $\tilde{\theta}^R := i^R \theta^R: HF \rightarrow HF$ . Any  $P$ -coding  $\theta$  with a retraction  $\theta^R$  is called  $P$ -regular if the following three functions  $A^* \rightarrow A^*$  are in  $P$ : (1)  $\tilde{\theta}^R i^R$ , which transforms any code  $a$  in  $A^*$  to the code of  $a$  (i.e. of its representation in HF), (2)  $i \tilde{\theta}$ , which restores the code  $a$  in  $A^*$  from the code of  $a$ , and (3)  $\theta^R \tilde{\theta}$ , which transforms any code in  $A^*$  to some equivalent code called canonical one.

**PROPOSITION 3.** Graph, tree and bracket  $P$ -coding  $\chi, \tau$ , and  $\beta$  are  $P$ -regular, however arithmetical codings (which are only  $P^*$ -codings) are not.

THEOREM 2.  $\Delta_X \equiv P_X$ , i.e.  $\Delta_X$ -language represents exactly  $P_X$ -operations (and  $P_X$ -predicates) in HF (cf. [6-8]). Analogously,

$$\Delta_\beta \equiv P_\beta \equiv \Delta_\tau \equiv P_\tau$$

THEOREM 3 (V.Yu.Sazonov). In general, for any P-regular coding  $\theta, \eta$ :

- (1)  $\Delta_\theta \equiv P_\theta$ ;
- (2)  $\theta \leq_P \eta$  &  $\theta \not\equiv_P \eta$  implies  $P_\theta$  not  $\subseteq P_\eta$  and  $P_\eta$  not  $\subseteq P_\theta$   
(with contraexamples  $\tilde{\theta}^R$  and  $\tilde{\eta}$ , respectively);
- (3) in fact,  $\eta \leq_P \theta \Leftrightarrow \tilde{\eta} \in P_\theta \Leftrightarrow \tilde{\theta}^R \in P_\eta$ .

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